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Charles F. Lummis,
200 E. Ave. 43,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Mr. Lummis:

Enclosed find $6.00 for four copies of your Spanish songs of California. I shall use them as gifts to those who appreciate your splendid efforts in perpetuating the spirit of this state.

Let me know if you have received my California Alamanacs for the past two years, and if not I will be glad to send you copies of both.

Cordially yours,

Don Wagner

Feb. 7, 1924.

Mr. Rob Wagner,
Hal E. Roach Studios,
Culver City, Cal.

Dear Rob. Wagner:

Bully! Your subscription is welcome-- but your spirit still more so. I can't in any way feel guiltless as I see the Romance and the traditions and the beatty of the California I knew once, trampled out and despised. It is some salve to my feelings to be able to help save something from the Spoiler-- and for the Spoiler too-- damn him! I would like to take upon the Philistines the Don's revenge-- to make him wear in his heart at least something of this Romance he is treading under foot. This is not a commercial enterprise. All I "make" goes back into saving more Songs-- but I am fully as anxious for a wide broadcasting of the Book.

Farwell and I are at work on the Second Book-- which is guaranteed by the success of this First Book, now in its Third Edition after only two months. And now I want to get hold of some of the survivors, and get some of these Songs going not only on paper but in the flesh. And unfortunately, after these years of sickness I have'nt strength enough to hustle in the old way-- or to hustle much of any. But by pushing on the reins quietly I hope to drive through.

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I have your first California Alamanac, which is very clever, but not the second-- and it is very generous of you to proffer one, and I shall value it.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely Yours,

In forwarding your four copies I have taken the liberty to autograph one. If that spoils it for your purpose, return it, and you shall have an unscratched one.